

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently amended) An apparatus for printing characters on a printed circuit board, wherein the printed circuit board is provided with a plurality of devices with pins, and the apparatus is provided with a plurality of through holes corresponding to gaps between the pins on the printed circuit board, whereby so that isolated portions are formed between the pins on the printed circuit board while the characters are printed on the printed circuit board.

2. (Currently amended) A screen printing fixture for printing characters on a printed circuit board, wherein the printed circuit board is provided with a plurality of devices with pins, and the fixture is provided with a plurality of through holes corresponding to gaps between the pins on the printed circuit board, whereby so that isolated portions are formed between the pins on the printed circuit board while the characters are printed on the printed circuit board.